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C O N F I D E N T I A L MOSCOW 18884

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EEWT, ENRG, UR, VE

SUBJECT: VENEZUELAN OIL FOR CUBA

REF: (A) CARACAS 14042, (B) MOSCOW 18704

DURING CALL AT SOVIET MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (MFT) DECEMBER 2  
BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF COMMERCE MATTHEWS AND EMBASSY E/C  
COUNSELOR, MFT LATIN AMERICAN EXPERT ZINOV'YEV COMMENTED THAT  
IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREEMENT TO DELIVER VENEZUELAN OIL TO CUBA WOULD  
SEEM TO REQUIRE SUBSTANTIAL ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATION BY GOVERNMENTS  
OF BOTH VENEZUELA AND CUBA. ZINOV'YEV SAID THAT PURPOSE OF AGREE-  
MENT WAS TO REDUCE TRANSPORT COSTS. HOWEVER, IT WAS ZINOV'YEV'S  
IMPRESSION THAT CUBAN REFINERIES WOULD NOT EASILY BE ABLE TO HANDLE  
THE GRADE OF CRUDE WHICH VENEZUELA WOULD SUPPLY.

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